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MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF THE MEMBERS OF THE MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OF KILLARNEY HELD IN THE TOWN HALL, KILLARNEY ON WEDNESDAY, 15TH MAY 2015.

MIONTUAIRISCÍ DE CHRUINNIÚ SPEISIALTA DE CHEANTAR BARDASACH CHILL ÁIRNE A THIONÓLADH IN HALLA AN BAILE CHILL ÁIRNE AR AN CHÉADAIOIN 15 BEALTAINE 2015.

PRESENT/I LÁTHAIR

Councillors/Comhairleoirí

**Cllr. B. Cronin
Cllr. J.J. Culloty
Cllr. M. Gleeson
Cllr. D. Grady**

**Cllr. D. Healy-Rae
Cllr. B. O'Connell
Cllr. J. Sheahan**

In attendance/i láthair

Ms. A. McAllen	Delegated Executive for the MD of Killarney
Mr. M. Scannell	SEO, Community Services & Engagement
Mr. G. O'Brien	Meetings Administrator
Ms. N. O'Sullivan	Killarney MD Officer
Ms. M. Galvin	CO Corporate Support

The meeting commenced at 10.30am.

15.05.15.01 To consider and approve allocations from the 2015 Community Support Fund

Mr. Scannell addressed the Members and said that the Community Support Fund has been developed to support community groups throughout the County. The projects vary in size from small to substantial capital projects.

The following report was circulated to the Members:

15th May 2015

**Chuig: Cathaoirleach JJ Culloty
Gach ball de Cheantar Bardasach Chill Áirne**

Community Support Fund - Guidelines for the awarding of Funds

Introduction

In recognition of the valuable work undertaken by communities in the county, Kerry County Council developed the Community Support Fund to provide flexible financial support to community groups and local organisations to enable them to undertake projects and /or which will assist them to improve the range and/or quality of community services and facilities within their area.

While the size of the overall fund is significant, the scale of individual projects will be limited due to the size of the municipal districts and the range of groups which the fund covers. This is reflective of the level of community & voluntary activity within the county.

The overall total of the fund is " 750,000 divided amongst the municipal districts as follows.

Killarney	" 259,000
Listowel	" 118,000
South & West	" 120,000
Tralee	" 253,000

The total number of applications received amounted to 270.

These applications included total funding requests in excess of " 2.5ml from a variety of projects & programmes. Individual applications for funding ranged from " 250 to " 181,789. The applications submitted cover groups such as chambers of commerce, local festivals & events, village enhancement projects, tidy towns, sports capital & equipment, tourist product enhancement & a variety of community & social projects and programmes.

It is clear that the fund has not the capacity to deal with large capital projects and indeed it was never the intention that it would do so. There are alternative funding sources available to meet these capital projects, particularly in relation to the capital sports grants that become available on a relatively frequent basis and which have significantly enabled capital works to be undertaken in Kerry.

Similarly it is not the intention of the scheme to replace mainstream core funding.

Taking these limitations into consideration it was agreed by **Tourism, Culture, Arts & Recreation SPC** and the **Corporate Policy Group** that the Community Support Fund applications be assessed against the following Principles:

- Capital Projects - Maximum allocation to be considered " 10,000;
- Any Centrally Funded Projects . Excluded;
- Leader Eligible Projects to be co-funded;

- Applications for funding should support animation+- focus of this fund is animation funding;
- Part of the MD allocation to be retained to have a contingency fund in place within each Municipal District at a minimum level of 10%;
- Take into account the overall costs of the project, and the possible impact of a significantly reduced allocation;

The applications have been thoroughly assessed in accordance with the above principles by relevant Kerry County Staff, from the Community, Tourism, Arts, and Kerry Recreation and Sports Partnership sections, with additional consultation with the municipal districts. The assessment has been carried out to ensure compliance with audit, good governance and transparency in relation to the awarding of funding.

Following the consideration of the members on the proposed allocations and the distribution of funds a report will be compiled with recommendations for the members around the structuring of future Community Support Funds. This as the initial year of the fund will provide guidance on the types of applications that have been animated through the process and how the fund can be more strategically based in the future. The local Economic & Community Plan will be in place for the next round of community funds and this plan can also influence the direction of funding in the county.

For ease of assessment the applications are divided into categories as follows and will presented accordingly at the Municipal District Meetings.

Community Services Capital/Equipment	CSC
Community Services Programme	CSP
Cultural	CUL
Economic Development/chamber of commerce	ED/COC
Enhancement	EN
Sports Capital/Equipment	SPC
Sports Programmes	SPP
Tourism Local festival	T/LF
Tourism Infrastructure	TI
Tidy Towns	TT

Details for Killarney MD CSF

Total Allocated Budget " 259,000

Funding to be retained

15% for additional applications
That may require funding
Leader co-funding " 39,000

Funding from areas/communities
For which no applications recd. " 15,000

Total to be retained	” 54,000
Funds for distribution at this time	” 205,000

The projects on the attached excel document represent the applications submitted for the Killarney Municipal District. The document details the name of the applicant, the nature of the application, the overall cost, the contribution sought, previous funding granted, and a recommendation in relation to the application.

Funding has been recommended in accordance with the principles set out in the report and where it is considered that a reduced allocation can be of benefit to the applicant and can allow a significant portion of the project to proceed.

Appendix – Extract from the Community Support Fund Guidelines issued with the grant application forms

The Fund will support projects in these categories:

” **Community Projects:** - Examples include programmes to support active ageing in a community or a proposal by a group to enhance and improve their town or village.

” **Local Economic Development and Promotion:** - A project to develop business units in the community or a project to create a new business in a community.

” **Local Tourism, Festivals and Events:** - support to a local community to assist with improving or developing an existing festival or creating a local tourism project with full community involvement e.g. enhancing an historic area or site.

” **Recreation and Amenity Projects:** - The provision of stiles or benches along a walking route or the development of a community park or the planting of hedging and flowers on approach roads to a village.

INELIGIBLE PROJECTS

The following exclusions apply under this Scheme:-

- Business Displacement
- Mass Participation Events run on a for profit basis
- General Appeals
- Activities that can be financed from other sources of funding.
- Servicing of Debt

- Developments which are the Responsibility of other Government Departments e.g. Department of Education or Department of Health

Application No.	Name of Group	Contact Name	Project Name	Total Project Cost	Amount Applied for to KCC	Comments	type	Previous Funding	Proposed Allocation
K1	Barraduff Community Field Org. Ltd.	Tadhg O' Shea	Upgrade facilities meeting rooms, gym area, creche by painting, flooring, handrail for steps	" 7,000.00	€2,000.00		CSC		" 2,000
K2	Tureencahill Community Group	Bertie O' Leary	Provide adequate comfortable seating for active retirement group	" 2,017.20	€2,017.00		CSC		" 1,850
K3	Cordal Community Resource Centre	Charlie Farrelly	Upgrade kitchen and toilet facilities for wheelchair users	" 7,400.00	€3,705.00		CSC		" 3,000
K4	Ballyspillane Community & Family Resource Ltd.	Connie O' Leary	Purchase of outdoor weather seat for the Community Garden, upgrading of CCTV system & replacement of estate nameplate	" 11,200.00	€11,000.00		CSC		" 4,000
K5	Kerry Flyer Ltd.	Nicola Lawless	To install lift in 41 seater bus to include people with disabilities to partake in tours	" 25,000.00	€15,000.00		CSC		" 5,000
K6	KASI Ltd.	Marilyn Catapat-Counihan	Purchase & installation of log cabin for community garden	" 31,000.00	€15,000.00	previously supported with day to day running cost by KTC unable to fund log cabin	CSC	" 900	" 1,000

K7	KDYS	Assumpta Sweeney	One-to-one support rooms, Youth Information Hub, music rehearsal room	" 68,448.00	€65,386.00	while KDYS provide very good services in the area the level of support sought is far beyond the scope of this scheme and unfortunately as the project is a single item it cannot be supported - KTC previously provided support for running cost - recommend we continue	CSC	" 1,350	" 1,350
K8	Acquired Brain Injury Ireland	Lucia Power	To build a Community Neuro Rehabilitation resource centre in Castleisland	" 210,000.00	€75,000.00	a very worthy service - provided a site by KCC - however the capital cost here are beyond the scope of the scheme	CSC		" 0
K9	Holy Cross Mercy School	Maria Slattery	Purchase of additional equip to further develop and enhance outdoor facilities	" 2,603.86	€2,604.00		CSE		" 2,000
K38	South West Counselling Centre Ltd	Nicole Wissell	Rsilience training programmes-Teen Text		€5,400.00		CSP	5,400	" 5,400
K10	Comhairle na nÓg	Madeleine Frissung	Run drug and alcohol awareness campaign	" 500.00	€500.00	positive programme for young people - similar funding being sought in each MD	CSP		" 500
K11	Sliabh Luachra Boxing	John O' Connell	Rent space for training sessions	" 5,000.00	€5,000.00		CSP		" 4,000

K12	Castleisland Day Care Centre	Monica Prendeville	To make recording of music, songs and stories from over 85s in Castleisland	" 6,000.00	€6,000.00		CSP		" 5,000
K13	Spraoi Chiarrai	Tim O' Shea	mentor young children passing on Irish traditional music, song, storytelling and dance performance	" 3,465.00	€2,365.00		CSP	" 2,365	" 2,350
K14	Kerry Film Festival	Roisin mcGuigan	Commissioning of new musical scores for 5 O'Kalem films, live performances, production of a DVD & an international tour	" 32,150.00	€15,750.00	contribute to the promotion of Kerry as a location for film ..contributes also to education of value of music ..part fund - see separate application for core funding	CUL		" 2,500
K15	Killarney Chamber of Tourism & Commerce	Kellie Doherty	Redevelopment of Killarney website	" 16,912.50	€16,912.50		ED/COC		" 10,000
K16	Killarney Chamber of Tourism & Commerce	Kate O' Leary	Marketing supports for Killarney	" 119,568.00	€100,000.00		ED/COC	" 53,000	" 53,000
K18	Cahereens West Residents Association	Mary Horan	Enhance area by planting flowers & shrubbery for grotto	" 300.00	€300.00		EN		" 300

K19	Currow Rural Development Tidy Towns	Peter O' Connor	Enhance appearance of entrance to village through shrubbery, fencing etc.	" 1,500.00	€1,000.00		EN	" 1,000
K20	Ballydribeen Residents Association	Liam Grimes	Painting of fence around area covering 6 housing estates	" 2,500.00	€2,500.00		EN	" 2,000
K21	Scartaglen Community Development	Fiona O' Donoghue	Installation of footpath outside the heritage centre in the village	" 15,000.00	€6,000.00	CCA for this project now stand @ " 9,500 - which will cover the substantial cost of same..recommend that allocation of " 2,000 be provided to the village for general improvement works	EN	" 2,000
K22	Kilbonane Residents Association	John Rice	Improving quality of access road to Kilbonane ruins	" 13,605.00	€6,803.00		EN	" 3,000
K23	Kilcummin Looking Good	Tony O' Connor	Enhance public area of the village by improving footpaths, seating area and grounding ESB services	" 47,469.00	€40,719.00	proposal for undergrounding o/h lines and lights beyond the scope of this scheme - planting of trees, seating and purchase of lawnmower should be supported	EN	" 3,500
K24	Castleisland Business Group	Bill Costello	Enhance appearance of entrances to town by signage	" 2,700.00	€2,000.00		EN	" 2,000
K25	Glanageenty Walk Committee	Pat Jameson	Remedial works to walkway following severe storm damage and flooding	" 5,500.00	€3,500.00		EN	" 3,000

K26	Farranfore Development Association	Richard Sherwood	Development of a railway amenity park	" 32,000.00	€10,000.00		EN		" 7,500
K27	Lough Lein Anglers' Association	Corry O' Flaherty	Upgrading of existing slipway situated in canal @ Ross Castle, Killarney	" 38,124.65	€20,000.00	fine amenity for the area - but scale of funding is beyond the scope of this fund -	EN		" 0
K28	Fossa Community & Development Association Ltd.	Michael Doyle	Continuation under Stage 2 of Fossa Way walk - works - signage, drainage, fencing, gates	" 42,054.00	€32,054.00		EN		" 10,000
K29	An Ríocht	Kate McSweeney	Energy Bills for facility	" 150,000.00	€25,000.00		SP	" 12,500	" 12,500
K30	South & East Kerry Rural Track Ltd.	Cathal O' Brien	Construction of an all-weather sports facility	" 336,091.00	€32,000.00	the proposal is for a major capital sporting facility / drawing funding from a number of sources ..the amount sought from KCC is beyond the scope of this fund & could be looked at in the event of Leader funding becoming available	SPC		0
K31	Deerpark Pitch & Putt Club	Fiona O' Donnell	Security Alarm & fencing	" 55,113.00	€55,113.00	project is broken down into a number of areas - fencing is by far the most expensive and is beyond the scope of this scheme ..funding support could be given for alarms	SPC		" 2,500

K32	Killarney Rugby Football Club	Gerard Moynihan	Upgrading of facility including lighting, fencing, hedging & trees	" 211,797.48	€181,797.00	scope of project is away beyond scope of this scheme - was never intended for major sports capital	SPC		0
K33	Spa Muckcross AC	Jean Courtney	Purchase of equipment for hurdling, high jumps	" 22,700.00	€9,700.00		SPE		" 5,000
K34	St. Patrick's Festival Killarney	Anne-Marie Kennelly	Contribution towards parade -flags, decorations, posters, marketing	" 39,500.00	€10,000.00		TF/L	" 2,550	" 5,000
K17	Christmas in Killarney	Ciara Treacy	Contribution towards Ice-rink in Killarney for Christmas festival/christmas lighting	" 227,700.00	€37,200.00	Christmas in Killarney seeking funding for lights and icerink - lights previously funded by KTC - recommend funding for lights only	TF/L	" 13,500	" 13,500
K35	Killarney 4th July Festival	Diarmuid Leen	Contribution towards festival - street theatre, fireworks, floats	" 48,000.00	€12,500.00		TF/L	" 10,000	" 10,000
	MacGillycuddy Reeks Mountain Access Forum	Patricia Deane	Development of a website	" 5,055.30	€5,055.30	funding sought in S&W MD also	TI		" 2,000.00
	MacGillycuddy Reeks Mountain Access Forum	Patricia Deane	Improvement works to path erosion on the reeks	" 9,650.00	€9,650.00	Very innovative project with national pilot status - funding sought in Killarney MD also	TI		" 5,000.00
K36	Castleisland Tidy Towns	Mary Walsh	Replace grass verges with pebbles and shrubs	" 4,000.00	€4,000.00		TT		" 3,000
K37	Killarney Tidy Towns	Yvonne Quill	Enhancement of laneways by signage & painting	" 8,000.00	€8,000.00		TT	" 4,500	" 6,000

	Kerry film festival	Roisin McGuigan		" 35,731.00	" 13,826.00	unique festival/providing huge benefit to entire county for locals and tourists - application across all MDs	TF/L	" 8K - " 17K	" 3,000
	Fóram Gaeilge Chiarraí	Pádraig Mac Fhearghusa			" 1,000.00		Cul		" 250
			Totals:	€1,902,354.99	€873,356.80				€205,000.00

